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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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 \boxtimes Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the \boxtimes enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NOVLP075).

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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on September 7, 2004. Applicants submit that the attached listing of claims and remarks fully address the issues raised in the Office Action.

The currently pending Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims section, beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and arguments are in the Remarks section, beginning on page 5 of this paper.